Robin and Kyle Ely Ridgefield, CT 06877

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To The Education and Appropriations Committees:

Re: Proposed School Regionalization -- Opposing Testimony for Bill numbers: SB 738 SB 457 and SB 874

We 100% oppose all of the proposed bills referenced above. We have happily lived in Ridgefield, CT for 22 years, and put 2 children through the Ridgefield public school system. We oppose the changes because we don't think the bills will improve the quality of education in our schools. We also believe it would be negative for property values and increase our already lofty property taxes.

We also strongly oppose municipalities being required to fund underfunded teacher pension costs.

Sincerely,

Robin and Kyle Ely